



Request for City Council Committee Action from the Department of Public Works

Date: November 7, 2013

To: Honorable Sandra Colvin Roy, Chair Transportation & Public Works Committee

Referral to: Honorable Betsy Hodges, Chair Ways and Means/Budget Committee

Subject: Organized Collection of Garbage, Recyclables, Problem Materials, and Seasonal Yard Waste Contract

Recommendation:

Authorize the appropriate City officials to negotiate and enter into a contract with Minneapolis Refuse, Inc. (MRI) for the collection of garbage, recycling, problem materials, mattresses and yard wastes for approximately one-half of the City's dwelling units for a five-year term of February 1, 2014 through January 31, 2019.

Previous Directives:

- September 10, 2013: Authorize the appropriate City officials to negotiate and enter into a contract with Minneapolis Refuse, Inc. (MRI) for the collection of garbage, recycling, problem materials, mattresses and yard wastes for approximately one-half of the City's dwelling units for a three-year term, with two one year renewals.
- July 19, 2013: Authorize the proper City officials to issue a Request for Proposals (RFP) for the collection of garbage, recycling, problem materials, and seasonal yard wastes for approximately one-half of the City's dwelling units (MRI side of the City)

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Financial Impact

- Action is within the Business Plan

Community Impact

- City Goals: Infrastructure...well-managed and maintained

Supporting InformationBackground

A Request for Proposal for Organized Collection was released on July 22, 2013 and stated that it was anticipated that the start date of the contract (s) would be Feb. 1, 2014 and that the contract would be three years in length, with the possibility of two (2), one (1) year extensions, for a total of not more than five (5) years.

Three (3) qualified proposals were received on August 19, 2013. Minneapolis Refuse, Inc. (MRI) submitted a proposal for a five-year term, and was deemed to be the best choice by an evaluation panel comprised of City of Minneapolis management staff. Following Council authorization in September to negotiate and enter into a contract with MRI, MRI stated in negotiations that the five-year term enabled them to provide the lowest cost proposal by amortizing the cost of trucks over this longer term.

The five-year contract term is consistent with past practice for this collection contract and City of Minneapolis procurement guidelines.